

III. REMARKS

The Examiner is thanked for extending the courtesy of a telephone interview on 22 November 2005.

A new set of drawings, which is corrected as requested by the Examiner, is enclosed. It is therefore submitted that they are no longer objectionable.

The claims have been amended to positively recite the steps and apparatus elements. Thus it is submitted that they conform to 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, and 35 U.S.C. 101.

For all of the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now present in the application are clearly novel and patentable over the prior art of record, and are in proper form for allowance. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested. Should any unresolved issues remain, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment for any fees associated with this communication or credit any over payment to Deposit Account No. 16-1350.



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